

# RHS It's Your Neighbourhood Assessment Form 2019



Entry Name: Hawkstone Rock Garden  
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**50 words of introduction re-entry:**

*Hawkstone Avenue Rock garden, a public space changed into something special after being conceived by Barbara Deeson. All brought to life with the help of her Blooming Buddies, Telford and Wrekin District Council, local businesses and other voluntary help. The substantially constructed ovoid shaped bed in the centre features large pieces of stone from the quarries nearby creating not only a rock garden but a significant piece of public art. Well Done.*

**Section A - Community Participation (40% or 40 points)**

*The group is working towards things such as:*

*Community involvement with lots of social activities as well as horticultural pride and achievement. Local ownership and direction  
Making a difference to local people  
Involving local people with planning, decision-making, communication & implementation  
Representative of the local community  
Getting support (e.g. from local council, grant aid, sponsorship, in-kind aid etc.)  
Planning for the future  
Working in partnership with other organisations (i.e. police, community support officers, environmental groups etc.)*

Total points assessed for Section A (out of 40)

40

**Section B - Environmental Responsibility (30% or 30 points)**

*The group is engaged in environmental activities such as:  
Conservation (e.g. resources, heritage, wildlife, built environment)  
Composting  
Recycling  
Creating, maintaining or improving green space  
Sharing knowledge and skills*

*The group is engaged in addressing environmental issues such as:  
Fly-tipping  
Fly-posting  
Litter  
Graffiti  
Dog fouling*

Total points assessed for Section B (out of 30)

26

**Section C - Gardening Achievement (30% or 30 points)**

<p><i>The group is employing good gardening practices appropriate to the area, such as:</i>  <i>good plant choice</i>  <i>Good maintenance, presentation and management</i>  <i>Creativity</i>  <i>Innovation</i>  <i>Overcoming site difficulties</i>  <i>Enhancing the area through gardening</i></p>	
<i>Total points assessed for Section C (out of 30)</i>	27
<b>GRAND TOTAL POINTS ASSESSED</b>	93
<b>LEVEL ACHIEVED</b>	Level 5 - Outstanding
<p><b>Areas of achievement:</b>  An exemplar of Section A. I have never seen all the boxes ticked like this.  Beautiful clean, tidy, well-kept and used public space what is essentially a wide walkway through a housing estate.  Unique ovoid shaped bed with rocks from the many quarries in the area, all with interpretation signage.  Well thought out planting with sustainability in mind</p>	
<p><b>Areas for development:</b></p>	

## Results

Level	Description	Points
Level 1	Establishing	0-35
Level 2	Improving	36-52
Level 3	Developing	53-68
Level 4	Thriving	69-85
Level 5	Outstanding	86-100